The Australian Breastfeeding Association announces with deep sadness the death in a cycling accident of Kathleen Heraghty. Kathleen was President of the SA/NT Branch of the Australian Breastfeeding Association, a breastfeeding counsellor for more than 15 years, lactation consultant and midwife.

Kathleen was a wonderful caring woman. Her dedication to breastfeeding women was unsurpassed. Her lovely warm voice touched many families. Whether it was through her work as a midwife or almost 20 years of volunteer work counselling breastfeeding families, she had a way that not only calmed people but encouraged them. Within the Australian Breastfeeding Association she educated and supported breastfeeding women in her local group and on the National Breastfeeding Helpline. As Branch President of the Australian Breastfeeding Association for SA and the NT, Kathleen supported the volunteers, trainees and office staff and worked closely with them to grow and support the volunteers and the families within SA. She has been instrumental in the planning of our ABA 50th Birthday celebrations planned for 2014 and was involved in every aspect of ABA within our branch.

Kathleen's death will be a huge loss to the ABA SA/NT Branch, to the volunteers of ABA and the breastfeeding families she had contact with.

A truly amazing woman gone to soon. Our hearts go out to her family.



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About the Australian Breastfeeding Association

As Australia's leading authority on breastfeeding, we support, educate and advocate for a breastfeeding inclusive society. It is our vision that breastfeeding is recognised as important by all Australians and is culturally normal. The Association is governed by a Code of Ethics, by which our volunteers are bound.